

STATE OF GEORGIA

DEKALB COUNTY

CITY OF STONECREST

ORDINANCE NO. ____ - _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VARIOUS ARTICLES WITHIN CHAPTER 27 (ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA TO APPLY AMENDMENTS PASSED BY THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO THE GEORGIA ZONING PROCEDURES LAW; TO PROVIDE SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE A PENALTY; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN ADOPTION AND EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Stonecrest (“City”) is the Mayor and City Council thereof; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section II, Paragraph IV of the 1983 Constitution of the State of Georgia authorizes the City to adopt plans and exercise the power of zoning; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the City is authorized by O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3 to adopt ordinances relating to its property, affairs, and local government; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to amend various articles within Chapter 27 (Zoning Ordinance) based on amendments passed by the Georgia General Assembly to the Georgia Zoning Procedures Law; and

WHEREAS, from time-to-time amendments may be proposed for public necessity, general welfare, or sound zoning practice that justify such action; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Planning and Zoning recommends approval based on the City Staff Report; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing and recommendation pursuant to the provisions of the Zoning Procedures Law has been provided by the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing pursuant to the provisions of the Zoning Procedures Law has been properly held by the City Council prior to the adoption of this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the city will be positively impacted by the adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA, and by the authority thereof:

Section 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Stonecrest, Georgia is hereby amended within Chapter 27 (Zoning Ordinance) by adopting the amendments set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.

Section 2. That text added to current law appears in **red bold and underline** Text removed from current law appears as **red, bold and strikethrough**.

Section 3. The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

Section 4. (a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that all sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are or were, upon their enactment, believed by the Mayor and Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.

(b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent

allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, no section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance.

(c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional, or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the Mayor and Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or section of the Ordinance and that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, all remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of the Ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and effect.

Section 5. The City Clerk, with the concurrence of the City Attorney, is authorized to correct any scrivener's errors found in this Ordinance, including its exhibits, as enacted.

Section 6. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

Section 7. The Ordinance shall be codified in a manner consistent with the laws of the State of Georgia and the City of Stonecrest.

Section 8. It is the intention of the governing body, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made part of the Code of Ordinances, City of Stonecrest, Georgia.

ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2023.

CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

EXHIBIT A